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## **Craven County Updates Regarding Hurricane Florence**

NEW BERN, N.C. – Craven County continues to work to re-establish government agency services and getting communities back to a sense of normalcy. The following are updates regarding Craven County operations:

- 1) Craven County resumed regular household trash collection routes on Wednesday, September 19, 2018. This will be for regular trash collection, not for hurricane debris. Any trash put at curbside will require the usual \$3 refuse sticker for every 33 gallons in order to be collected.
- 2) All seven Craven County Convenience Sites will open on Thursday, September 20, 2018. Residents are encouraged to bring their residential vegetative hurricane debris to any of the sites. Convenience Sites will also accept household bagged refuse without a sticker until further notice. For a list of convenience sites and more information regarding days and hours of operation visit the Craven County Solid Waste website at <a href="https://www.cravencountync.gov/236/Convenience-Center-Hours-Locations">https://www.cravencountync.gov/236/Convenience-Center-Hours-Locations</a>.
- 3) Craven County Emergency Management has opened four Point of Distribution (POD) sites for residents impacted by Hurricane Florence to receive supplies. The PODs will operate seven days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. until further notice. At this time, PODs have limited selection of items such as water and meals ready to eat (MREs) but additional items such as cleaning supplies, bleach and hygiene items are expected to be available at a later date. The complete list of PODs includes:
  - Annunciation Catholic Parish, 246 E. Main Street, Havelock, North Carolina.
  - Tabernacle Baptist Church, 616 Broad Street, New Bern, North Carolina.
  - Old Family Dollar store, 280 NC Hwy 43 in Vanceboro, North Carolina.
  - Godette Head Start Center, 125 Old Godette School Road, Havelock, North Carolina.

Craven County Emergency Management is in the process of making arrangements to open PODs in other areas of Craven County and that information will be provided at a later date.

- 4) The Salvation Army is providing prepared meals to individuals at 12:00 p.m. and 5:00p.m. at the following locations:
  - Craven Corner Missionary Baptist Church, 1080 Adams Rd., Havelock
  - New Bern Christian Academy, 2911 Old Cherry Point Rd., New Bern
  - Greenfield Estates, 1-A Central St., Havelock
  - Pamlico County Shelter at Pamlico Community College, 5049 NC 306, Grantsboro
- 5) The American Red Cross vehicles are providing prepared meals, meals ready-to-eat (MREs) and water at 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily to the following communities:
  - Harlowe Community Center
  - Larkville
  - Fairfield Harbor
  - Rhems
  - Sunnyside
  - City of New Bern Duffyfield/ Woodrow
  - Havelock High School
  - James City/Airport
  - Cowpen Landing Vanceboro
- 6) Craven County Government will be closed on Thursday, September 20, 2018 for all county employees except essential personnel. We are making every effort to open Craven County Government offices at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, September 21, 2018.

For more information call Craven County Emergency Management at 252-636-6608. Craven County Government Emergency Management updates will appear on the Craven County website at <a href="https://www.cravencountync.gov">www.cravencountync.gov</a>, on the Craven County Facebook page <a href="mailto:@cravencountync.gov">@cravencounty</a> and the Craven County Emergency Management Twitter account <a href="mailto:@cravencountync">@cravencountync</a>. Visit the Craven County website to register to receive emergency notifications via text, email and phone calls through the CodeRed Emergency Notification System.

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